

FIG. 5D

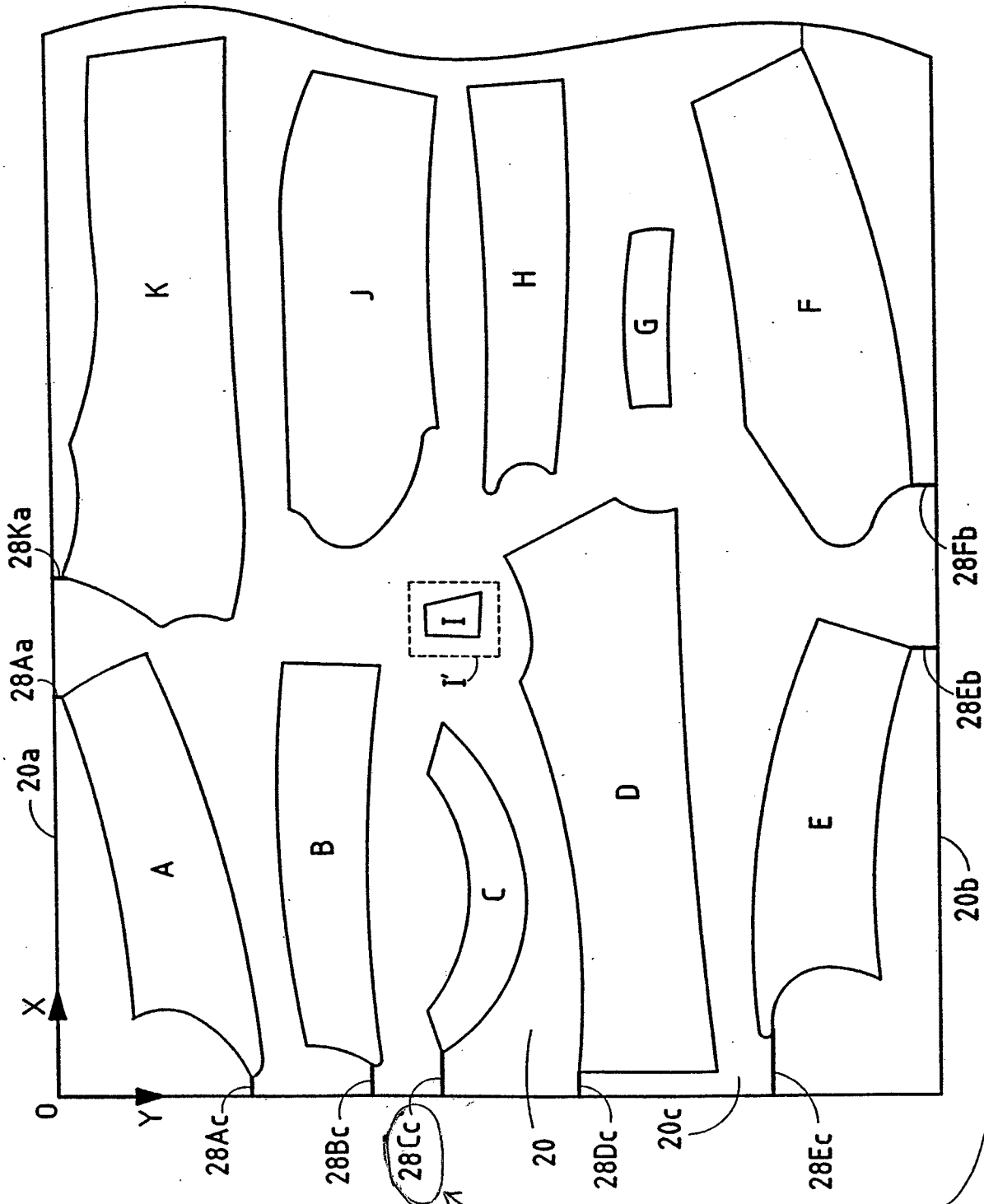


FIG. 5B

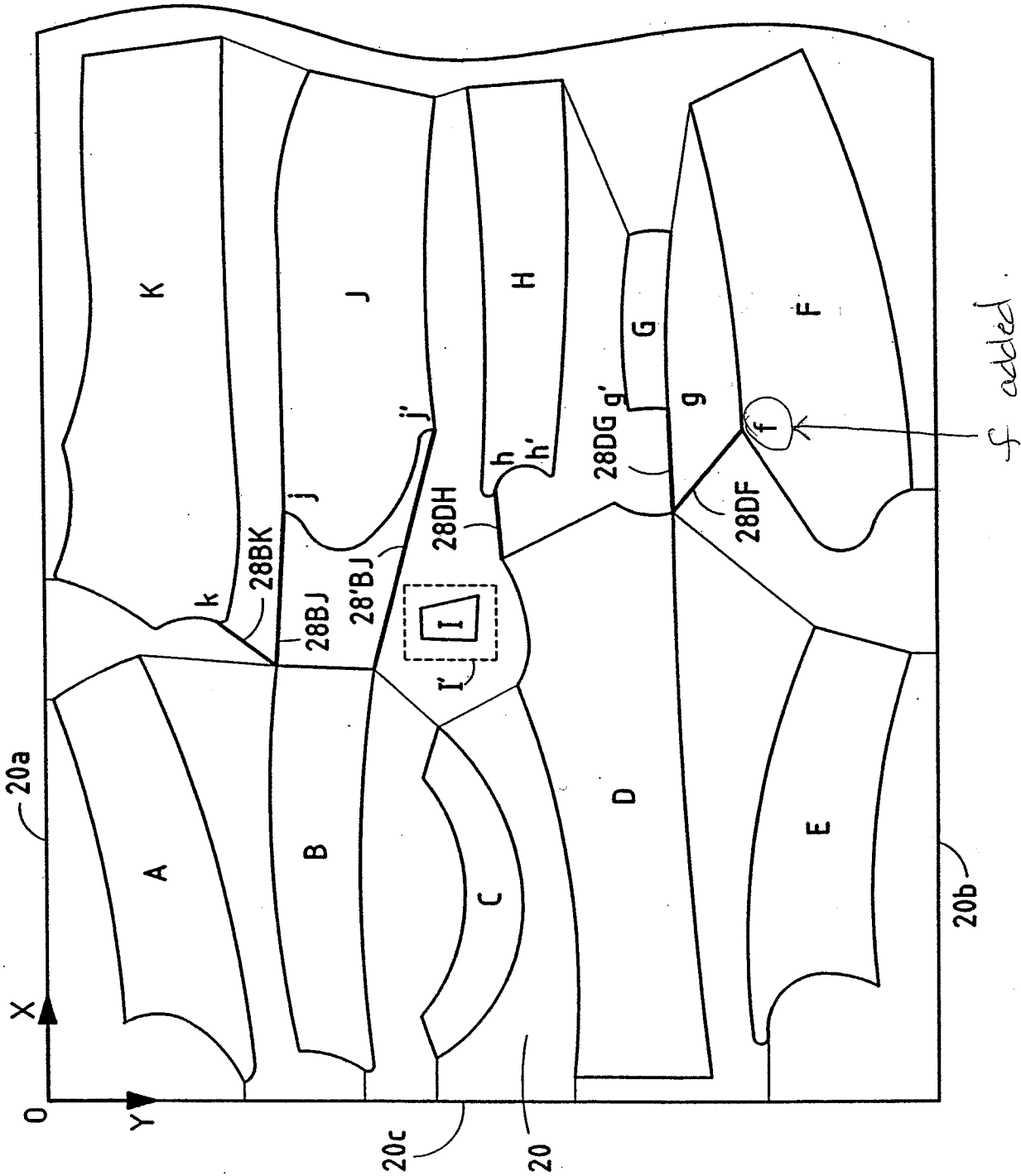


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Title:	Method and Installation)	
	for Automatically Cutting)	
	and Removing Stacks of)	
	Pieces in a Web of Sheet)	
	Material)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The Applicant respectfully requests the amendment of the following:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Cross-related application:

This application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 application of International PCT Application No.
PCT/FR00/01693; filed June 21, 1999.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-40 without prejudice.

Please add claims 41-80, which are attached hereto.